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PUBLIC BRIEFING

for the

Pharmacogenetic Research Network and Database
RFA GM-99-004

Tuesday, April 6, 1999

1:00 p.m. - 3:00 p.m.

Natcher Conference Center Room A
Natcher Building (45 Center Drive)
National Institutes of Health
Bethesda, MD

The National Institute of General Medical Sciences (NIGMS) invites prospective applicant institutions to send a representative to attend this public briefing. Members of the six NIH institutes participating in the Pharmacogenetic Research Network and Database Request for Applications (RFA) will explain the purpose of the program and answer questions.

This RFA resulted in part from recommendations made at an NIGMS-sponsored workshop held in the summer of 1998. The report of this workshop can be found on the NIGMS Web site at <http://www.nih.gov/nigms/news/reports/pharmacogenetics.html>.

Briefly, the initiative, published in the *NIH Guide for Grants and Contracts* (see <http://www.nih.gov/grants/guide/rfa-files/RFA-GM-99-004.html>), encourages a multi-disciplinary approach to translating DNA sequence similarities and differences into usable information for predicting individual responses to therapeutic drugs used to treat a wide range of diseases. Awards will be made using the cooperative agreement (U01) mechanism.

Timetable

<input type="checkbox"/> Public Information Session at NIH	April 6, 1999
<input type="checkbox"/> Letter of Intent Receipt Date	April 30, 1999
<input type="checkbox"/> Application Receipt Date	July 27, 1999
<input type="checkbox"/> Peer Review Date	November 1999
<input type="checkbox"/> Advisory Council Date	January 2000
<input type="checkbox"/> Earliest Anticipated Award Date	April 1, 2000

Inquiries are encouraged.

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